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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013-14 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1175

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Bocanegra**

February 22, 2013

An act to add Section 22875.6 to the Government Code, relating to public employee benefits. An act to amend Section 486 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to cooperative agreements.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1175, as amended, Bocanegra. Public employee benefits: postemployment health care. Food and agriculture: cooperative agreements: agricultural inspector associates.

Existing law authorizes the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to enter into cooperative agreements with county boards of supervisors and other specified entities for certain purposes. Existing law prohibits the secretary from entering into a cooperative agreement with a county of the first class for agricultural inspector services if the agreement requires that the county provide year-round services unless not less than 66% of the agricultural inspector aids not afforded protections as permanent employees employed under the cooperative agreement are afforded protections as permanent employees under the county's civil service or other personnel system.

This bill additionally would prohibit the secretary from entering into a cooperative agreement with a county of the first class for agricultural inspector services unless not less than an unspecified percent of the agricultural inspector associates not afforded protections as permanent

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employees employed under the cooperative agreement are afforded protections as permanent employees.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for a county of the first class.

The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, establishes provisions governing postemployment health care benefits for members and their families that vest upon meeting certain requirements. Existing law also establishes various postemployment health care benefits under other benefit systems, including those offered by counties, districts, and cities.

This bill would, if the governing board of the designated local authority for the former redevelopment agency within the County of Los Angeles acts to dissolve that authority, require the governing board to identify the entity responsible for assuming the enforceable obligation of the authority for the amount necessary to fully compensate for the postretirement health benefit costs of specified personnel.

The bill would include findings and declarations regarding the necessity of a special statute.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 486 of the Food and Agricultural Code 2 is amended to read:

486. Notwithstanding Section 482, the secretary may not enter into a cooperative agreement with a county of the first class, as defined in Section 28020 of the Government Code, for agricultural inspector services if the cooperative agreement requires that the county provide year-round services, unless not less than 66 percent of the agricultural inspector aides and \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the agricultural inspector associates not afforded protections as permanent employees employed under the cooperative agreement are afforded protections as permanent employees under the county's civil service or other personnel system.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California -3- AB 1175

Constitution because of the unique circumstances of agricultural inspector associates in a county of the first class.

SECTION 1. Section 22875.6 is added to the Government Code, to read:

22875.6. If the governing board of the designated local authority, as defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 34173 of the Health and Safety Code, for the former redevelopment agency in Los Angeles acts to dissolve the designated local authority, the governing board shall identify the entity responsible for assuming the enforceable obligation of the authority, as described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 34171 of the Health and Safety Code, for the amount necessary to fully compensate for the postretirement health benefit costs of the former personnel of the authority and the former redevelopment agency. The identified entity shall be considered the employer of the former personnel of the authority and the former redevelopment agency for purposes of making ongoing contributions for premium payments pursuant to this part.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution because of the following: Due to the circumstances that established a unique designated local authority for the former redevelopment agency of Los Angeles that does not consist of the city or county, and the unique contractual relationship between the designated local authority and CalPERS, a special law is necessary.